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Community Involvement

There are many ways for residents, property owners, business owners and everyone who travels US 113 and its crossroads to stay informed, make their views known and contribute:

- Project Video: Borrow it, Request a Showing (Call Project Phone Number Below)
- Public Workshops
- Working Group Meetings
- Web Site: www.deldot.net/static/projects/us113
- Project Mailing Address:
 DelDOT Public Relations Office
 P.O. Box 778
 Dover, DE 19903
- Project Phone Numbers: 1-800-652-5600 (in DE) or 302-760-2080
- Project Fax Number: 302-739-2217
- Project Email Address: dot-public-relations@state.de.us

WE ARE HERE TO LISTEN AND TO GAIN YOUR INPUT. LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK.

A Cooperative Effort



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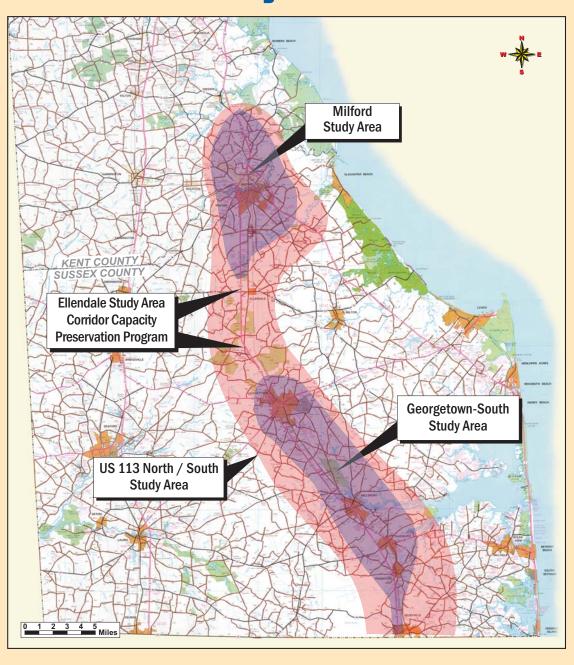
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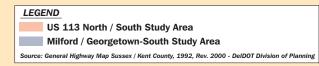


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Summary of Comments Received for Ellendale Area

General

Working Group Comments	Public Workshop Comments	Agency Comments
Agricultural vehicle access, particularly across 113; Why not just add third lane to US 113? Credibility of Long Range Traffic, growth and development projections; When will this be done? Will a program be put in place to purchase the needed right-of-way, Development / Access rights etc.? This is being done to get people to the beach faster at the expense of the locals; It is possible that development growth would be encouraged by improving US 113; You need to plan now for the future; Road 213 and other local roads are a more pressing issue for Ellendale than US 113.	Do not finalize a decision on the N/S until completion of the E/W Feasibility Study; Consider a limited Western Bypass of US 113 in the immediate Ellendale Area.	Extent and nature of impacts overriding concern; Avoid impacts where possible; Minimize impacts when unavoidable.

On-Alignment

Working Group Comments	Public Workshop Comments	Agency Comments
General Comments dealt, almostv exclusively, with specific issues; Fleatown/Staytonville road overpass of US 113and its impact of properties on the north side of Fleatown Road; The connection of VFW Road to 113; The impact to the businesses at the 113/16 intersection with the construction of a grade separation.	General Written and Map comments addressed, almost exclusively, specific plan issues: Raise and widen stream crossings to accommodate wildlife passage; Move SB ramps at Road 213 overpass to minimize agricultural impacts; Sharon's Road does not need to be cul-de-saced.	A combination of Option 1 north of Ellendale with Option 2 south of Ellendale appears to minimize impacts and could be acceptable to the resource agencies; Avoid impacts to Teddy's Tavern and the roadside picnic facility in the Ellendale State Forest. Both are eligible for inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places.

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Improvements to Road 21 Issues of timing and a pro	 For the Working Group and the Public, in general, an on-approach is reasonable; Improvements to Road 213 should be evaluated and recommended in the near-term; Issues of timing and a program to acquire right-of-way, Access / Development rights, etc. needs to be developed with greater detail and presented. 		 Extent and Nature of impacts extremely and Nature of impacts extremely important; Preference for On-Alignment Approach; A combination of Options 1 & 2, minimizing natural and cultural resource impacts, appears feasible.